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(SBU) On September 20, 2007 we met with MFA Deputy Director General for Human Rights Tormod Endresen, who confirmed that Norway will not join the Partnership for Democratic Governance (PDG). Endresen applauded the PDG,s initiative to rebuild democratic governing structures in fragile states, and recognized the program's merit and reputation. Endresen noted that Norway would, however, presently decline the invitation to join. He emphasized that Norway remains interested in participating in future PDG discussions in the OECD context and will follow the initiative's development with great interest.  
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